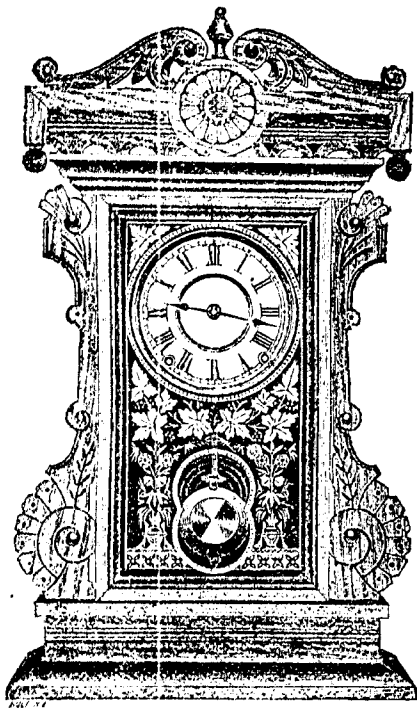
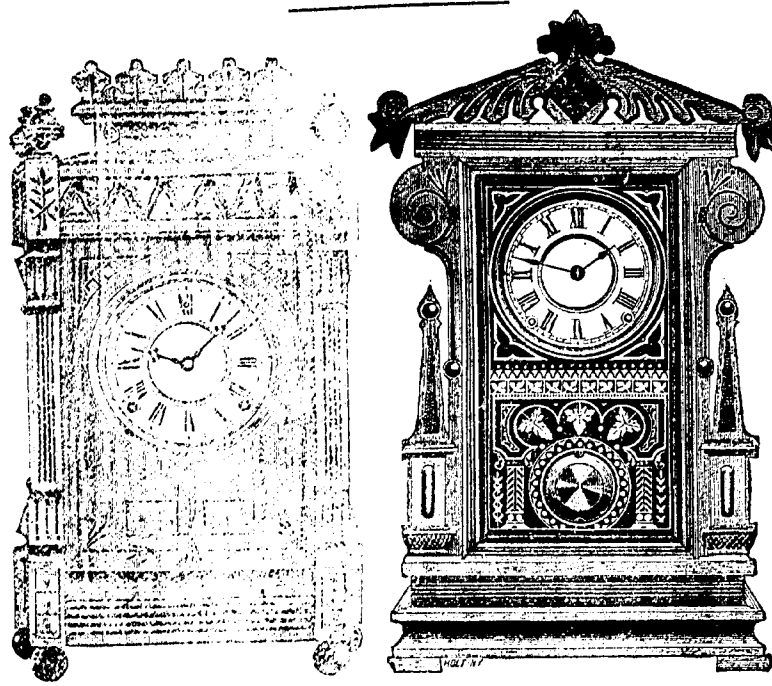


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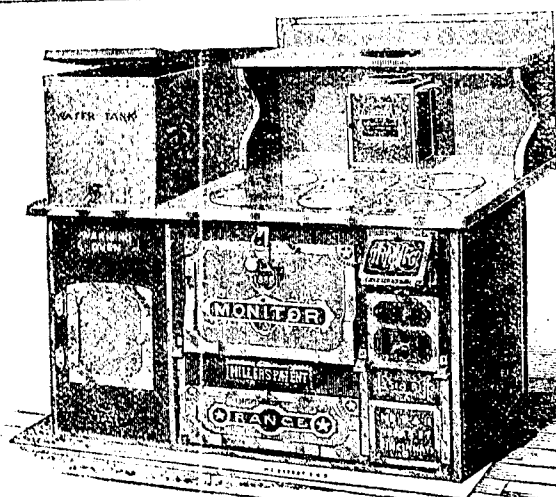


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TUESDAY EVE., FEB. 7, 1888.

LOCAL NEWS.

FOR dinner and tea sets, go to
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.
BILL NVE coming Feb. 14. 21-dit
VALENTINE day brings Nys.
30 DEGREES above zero this morning.

The supervisors from different parts of the state will be in town to-morrow.

The opera L'Eclair at the opera house Saturday night.

I. O. M. A. RECEPTION to-night at Celestial Hall.

You will like Hatfield & Co.'s White Foam flour. Try it.

For all kinds of bread, pies, cakes and rolls, go to the bakery of August & Downing, 533 North Morgan street, New York.

WESTBROOK is hopeful. He firmly believes that he will never be hung. His fate is in the hands of the law and the governor.

SAVE your money by dealing with J. Lytle & Co. grocers, in opera block. Oysters by the can and in bulk.

THERE will be no rise in the prices of seats for Jambou Friday night. Prices the same as last season 75, 50 and 25 cents.

THE entertainment to be offered by the Decatur Club on next "ladies' night," Thursday, Feb. 9th, will be a dance, to which all members and their lady friends are invited.

STOP at Knudsen & Osborn's handy grocery store on Water street for choice table supplies.

BUY the Boston Combination Coffee to be had at Lehman & Bolen's Merchant street grocery store. It is delicious.

THE singers of neighboring towns are taking a lively interest in the forthcoming May festival in which 500 voices will take part.

DON'T forget W. H. Shorb for chicken and stock feed, coal and wood.

THE prospects are that Decatur will have another coal mine within a year. A new company is getting ready to go down after the black diamonds, probably in the western part of the city.

JUST now C. B. Prescott is enjoying quick sales of the famous Haines Bros' pianos and standard organs, because he is giving low prices.

SELECT California fruits and other supplies for the table at Moore Bros' store in opera block.

CALL on Lytle & Eckels for the best of stores and kitchen supplies generally.

LEAVE your orders for family groceries at Hanks & Patterson's South Water street store and they will be filled promptly. No mistakes, no delays.

FINNAN HADDIE at Dinges & Cloyd's. 28-dit

TICKETS for the Goodman Band concert to-morrow night at the opera house are selling at 35 and 25 cents. Attend this concert. You will hear the finest of music.

ALL leading grocers sell Shollaburger & Co.'s White Lard flour.

"THE HUNTING SCENE" is a descriptive piece, written by the author of the "Turkish Patrol," (Theo. Michaels), giving a description of a mounted party gathering and starting out on a fox chase; they all join in a chorus as they start. It is full of vim and sparkling music and will please everybody. Goodman's band will give it at the opera house on Wednesday night.

RINO up Nidemyer on the Mound by telephone and secure stock feed ready for use.

D. W. BRENNEMAN & BRO. will hold a public sale, March 6, 1888, at their farm, one-half mile north of Decatur, of the head of Grade Clyde and Normans mares and Geldings from 3 to 5 years old. Jan28 d&w

"It's worth its weight in gold," is a common expression. But, while the value of gold is easily affected, the worth of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, as a blood purifier, never depreciates. It will eradicate scrofula from the system when everything else fails.

SMOKES the White Cross, the new five-cent cigar, manufactured by John Osborn, sold by all first-class dealers. Try it and be convinced that it is the best nickel cigar ever made or sold in Decatur. 2-dit

JAMES HOLLINGER has purchased the barber shop in the north end of Central block, where all friends and new callers as well will receive a hearty welcome, and get a shaving work done in first-class style. Hair cutting a specialty. dec19 dlm

Low Rate Excursion to New Orleans.

To accommodate those who desire to attend the celebrated New Orleans Mardi Gras festivities beginning February 14th, and hundreds of others who desire to visit Jackson, Tenn., Jackson, Miss., Hammond, Crowley, Jennings, Weibach and Lake Charles, Louisiana, with a view to instruments or permanent location in the south, the Illinois Central Railroad will make the following exceedingly low round trip rate of \$20.50 from Decatur to New Orleans and return. Tickets on sale Feb. 20th to inclusive, good to return until March 1st. From New Orleans round trip rates will be made as follows: To Crowley, \$2.70; Jennings, \$2.35; Welsh, \$2.80; Lake Charles, \$3.20. Through sleeping car coaches will leave Decatur at 5:10 p. m. Feb. 28th, Dubuque, 7 a. m. Feb. 9th, arriving at New Orleans the evening of the 11th. Applications for sleeping berths should be made to the undersigned at Decatur, 4 p. m. on Feb. 28th. Also write at once for excursion bill giving full particulars of this special excursion. jan27

Mural Decoration.

My specialty this year is fine work in the above line. I will guarantee every job to give satisfaction. LOUIS H. ABER.

THE STATE MEETING.

Brethren of the I. O. M. A. in Annual Session.—A Fine Looking Body of Men.

Decatur is honored this week by the presence of a large number of delegates to the eleventh annual convention of the Independent Order of Mutual Aid of the state, a growing organization that has 2,387 members, and affords life insurance at a very low rate on the co-operative plan. It is exclusively a state institution having cut loose from the supreme lodge. During the past year the order paid out \$61,086 to beneficiaries, of which sum \$5,086 was accrued assessments.

The business session of the order began this afternoon, at three o'clock in the beautiful hall of Celestial Lodge of Odd Fellows, where the public reception will be held to-night, when the following programme will be observed:

Opening at 7:30 p. m. Opera House Orchestra. Quorum called. Obedience. Accomplishment. Prayer. Chaplain. Pledge. Business Session. Tenthmaser.

Address of Welcome.—Orchestra. Response.—Hon. M. W. Matthews, Urbana. Violin Solo.—Prof. O. Bull. Grand Vespers.—W. M. A. Vespers. Co-operative Insurance.—W. M. A. Vespers. Grand Secretary. W. M. A. Vespers. Grand Vespers.—W. M. A. Vespers. Grand Vespers.—W. M. A. Vespers.

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THE STATE MEETING.

Rev. L. Field and Rev. S. P. Hoy gave us a call to-day, both stating that they were well acquainted with Adam Spear, who was murdered near Centerville in Piatt county on Saturday night by James Mounce, now in custody at Monticello.

The gentlemen are confident that the trouble grew out of litigation. Mr. Spear had had a lawsuit about stock that had been stolen from his farm of 200 acres. Mr. Spear was 47 years of age, and handled stock on a large scale. Last fall he had a lawsuit at Monticello about his stolen stock. Attorney Buckingham, of Decatur, looked after the case for Spear and won it. Mr. Spear was a leading member of the United Brethren church, having attended the conference at Argenta last fall. His life was insured for \$5,000 in the Northwestern of Milwaukee.

MONTICELLO, Feb. 6.—James Mounce, the man who killed Adam Spear, and who is now in jail here, was brought to the report that Spear was too intimate with his wife. He claims that no such relation ever existed, but that Spear had mistreated him and his brothers.

A Cold Wave.

The cold wave flag was hoisted this forenoon. The prediction is for a fall of 15 to 20 degrees by Wednesday morning.

The Krieg Case.

The jury in the Charles Krieg case on trial in the U. S. district court at Springfield failed to agree, 11 members voting for acquittal and one holding out persistently for conviction. The case goes over to the next term, the defendant giving \$1,000 bond for his appearance. The charge grows out of the recent robbery of the postoffice at Elwin in this county.

Pretty Jarbeau.

She will appear in the charming musical comedy, "Starlight," next Friday night. She will be supported by Miss Hattie Harvey, a dashing soubrette, and a clever company. Jarbeau is a prime favorite here. She captivated a large audience last season, and they will all be out to see and hear her again Friday night. This is a sample of one of her popular songs:

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SALES OF REAL ESTATE.

W. M. Catto to W. A. Fisher, lot 19, block 8, Village of Warrensburg, \$1,000.

W. A. Fisher to Florence N. Catto, south half of lot 7, block 1, 4th Rolling Mill addition, and lots 15, 17 and 18, in block 6, Carver's addition, and lot 5, block 1, C. B. & Q. addition, \$1,800.

John A. Brown to A. Harpster, Master's deed to 40 acres in 9, 16, 3, \$1240.

Ephraim Bear to Susan Westhoff, the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 29, 17, 2 east, Hickory Point township, \$5,000.

Charles H. Martin to Abraham L. Gephford, lots 5 and 6, block 3, of the partition and division of the estate of Sarah A. White, being an addition to Ninette, \$150.

Fredrick Bielinski to Abdiel T. Riley, lot 14, in block 16, Carver's addition to Decatur, \$475.

A New Enterprise.

License to organize the Macon County Coal Co. was yesterday granted by the Secretary of State to J. M. Bower, Michael Eichling and Geo. E. Knight, of Decatur. It is understood that steps will be taken at once to secure subscriptions to the capital stock of the company, which is fixed at \$50,000.

L'Eclair.

The Bensberg Opera Company will present at the opera house next Saturday night under the auspices of The Musical Club of this city, Halsey's famous old opera, "L'Eclair." The music is of a brilliant and different character, requiring highly-trained vocalists for its adequate rendition. Miss Bensberg as Henriette, Miss Engel as Durbel, Mr. David as Liane, and Mr. Knight as George, form a cast of unusual strength. Beautiful duets and trios abound in the fine old work, and the singers have ample opportunities. The thunder storm scene is simply grand. The familiar air, "Call Me Thine Own," is gracefully sung by Mr. David, whose tenor voice is sweet and clear. Mr. Knight is a capital buffo as George, and the humorous songs which fall to his part are sung with great zest.

Miss Bensberg in the soprano role, displays great vivacity and sings with ease and skill the florid passages in which the soprano role abounds. Miss Engel cannot possibly be excelled as Durbel and is undoubtedly one of the best contraltos on the stage. This will be a musical treat the like of which we seldom have an opportunity to hear and we hope the music loving people will turn out and assist the Musical Club in their efforts to bring first-class artists to this city. The sale of seats will commence Thursday morning.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Supt. T. L. Evans has changed his residence to No. 907 North Main street.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Miller, Feb. 6, a daughter.

Joseph L. Barry and Miss Annie E. Durland, both of Oakley township, were granted a marriage license to-day.

Charles H. Allison has another little stranger at his home—a daughter, born on Sunday.

John W. Burt, registrar of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission at Chicago, is attending the I. O. M. A. convention.

Mrs. B. F. Dodson, who is living with her daughter at Deer Lodge, Montana, was stricken with paralysis last September. Her entire right side is affected, and she is helpless.

R. J. Johnson, proprietor of the Maude Atkinson company, and J. P. Peatty, agent for the same company, were in Decatur to-day. The company is playing an engagement at Macon this week.

George H. Rinker, of Carlinville, member of the state board of railway commissioners, and Republican candidate for governor, is a guest at the St. Nicholas. He will be here to-morrow to meet the supervisors.

George H. Palmer, editor of the Winchester Standard, paid us a call to-day in company with Capt. E. P. Lytle. Both were comrades in Company B, 27th Illinois Regiment. Mr. Palmer is a delegate to the I. O. M. A. state meeting.

George Madden, salesman in the dry goods department at Linn & Scruggs, is at Frankfort, Ind., to-day. He will be united in marriage this afternoon to a young lady of Frankfort. The couple will reside on West Wood street, this city.

Miss Gertrude Randolph, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Randolph, of this city, who is at Philadelphia completing her musical education at the Academy of Music, was one of the guests at the State Fencibles' reception given at the Academy in that city last night. Over 1000 spectators' tickets were sold for the function. The grand march for the ball was led by Lieut. Gen. Phil Sheridan and staff, Governor Beaver and staff, Gov. Biggs, of Delaware, Gov. Greenwald, of Kansas, and a host of other distinguished civil and military officials. Miss Gertrude is familiarizing herself thoroughly with a variety of instruments.

